(a) whether CPWD was to focus on providing solar energy to reduce the energy consumption per square metre by half compared to the present practice in Government buildings in Delhi and outside Delhi; and

(b) if so, the number of buildings whose designs were changed and solar energy system was installed in Government houses during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Not applicable in view of (a) above.

Funds lying unspent with State Government

4715. SHRI SANJAY RAUT Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around 1200 crore of funds were lying as unspent with the State Government under various schemes of the Ministry upto December, 2006;

(b) if so, Government's response and reaction thereto;

(c) the details of the funds allocated for the various urban centric infrastructure and other development schemes since last three years; and

(d) the details of the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to strengthen the monitoring mechanism of the ongoing various schemes both at the Central and the State leveis by emphasizing proper utilization of allocated funds appropriately in a time-bound manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Guidelines to States on property tax

4716. SHRI P.R. RAJAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given any guidelines to the States to speed up recovering the property tax; and